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FACING TRIAL FOR MABEL PAGE'S DEATH

TUCKER SAYS: "I'M INNOCENT"



MAYOR BLOCKS WHARF TRUST CO. FRANCHISE

DECLARES STREETS SHOULD BE FOR USE ONLY OF HOME CORPORATIONS.

"No foreign corporation should have a franchise giving it the right to run tracks through the streets of Boston, and I will not sign a permit for such a road. From a Massachusetts corporation, come under the jurisdiction of our railroad commission, pay taxes here, and then come to and show your hands."

With these words Mayor Collins today denied a hearing of the petitioners seeking a permit for the Massachusetts Wharf Trust to run tracks through certain streets in East Boston.

About twenty-five representatives of East Boston interests appeared to urge the Mayor to sign the permit passed by the Board of Aldermen.

The opposition was headed by Henry S. McPherson, of the law firm of McPherson, Hyde & Damon, and included representatives of George W. Higgins & Co., William Hall & Co., Wendell P. Brown & Co., the Atlantic Iron Works, Arthur Iron Foundry Company, Boston & Lockport Block

Company, the Marathon Coal Company, the Lowell Company, John A. & William Smith, Jr., and the Boston & Albany road.

The petition the Mayor declined to sign, and after some questions as to the cost and an examination of the plan the hearing was abruptly ended by the state clerk.

After the hearing Attorney McPherson said: "If the Mayor would take the side of the petitioners, it is too early to say what we will do."

Tells Mother He Has No Fear of Outcome When Jury Gets Evidence—Preparations for the Trial Are Now Well Under Way.

"I am innocent of that crime, and I am confident that it will be proven upon my trial."

Charles Louis Tucker, accused of the murder of Mabel Page, after spending nine months in jail and facing the beginning of the great fight for his life next Monday, made this emphatic declaration to his mother, Mrs. Albert Tucker, and the senior member of his counsel, James H. Vahey, of the firm of Vahey, Innes & Mansfield, as they sat chatting with him in the Cambridge jail.

Tucker not only believes that when the evidence in the case is heard by a jury that he will be set free, but he is willing to go to the stand himself and tell the whole story of his movements on the day of the tragedy.

His attorneys will decide, however, and will not until the concluding hours of the case. His lawyers believe that he would make an excellent witness in his own behalf.

COUNSEL IS HOPEFUL.
Lawyer James H. Vahey, who has been retained about the outcome of the case, is in the best of spirits. He says that he has no doubt that the jury will find the defendant innocent.

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NOW READY FOR TRIAL.
The preparations for the trial of the case, which will be held at the Boston Court House, are now well under way. The trial is expected to begin on Monday next.

DEFENSE HAS SURPRISE.
In the presence of our witnesses at the trial the defense will have a surprise for the prosecution. It is expected that the defense will introduce evidence which will be a complete surprise to the prosecution.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 27.—An explosion, due to a slide in the furnace of the Edgar Thompson works at Braddock, occurred at 10:30 o'clock today. Five doctors were called to the scene, and several men were killed.

CHARLES LOUIS TUCKER, ACCUSED OF SLAYING MABEL PAGE. JAPANESE COUP HASTENS PORT ARTHUR'S FALL GARRISON IS CUT OFF

Last Hope of Prolonging Struggle Dashed by Latest Defeat.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The hope of the Russian government and its allies that the Japanese would be able to hold out in the siege of Port Arthur, has been dashed by the latest news from the front.

The Japanese have captured the last of the Russian positions in the vicinity of Port Arthur, and the Russian forces are now in a state of complete isolation. The Japanese are now in a position to capture the city at any time.

The Brave Defenders in Southern Forts Must Soon Starve or Surrender.

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RINGS ALARM IN BARFOOT, NIGHTWEAR DROPPED DEAD IN CORRIDOR

When five feet and clad only in his nightgown, Rogers ran 200 yards to the alarm box to sound the alarm. He was then seen to drop dead in the corridor.

FURNACE BURST, SEVERAL DEAD

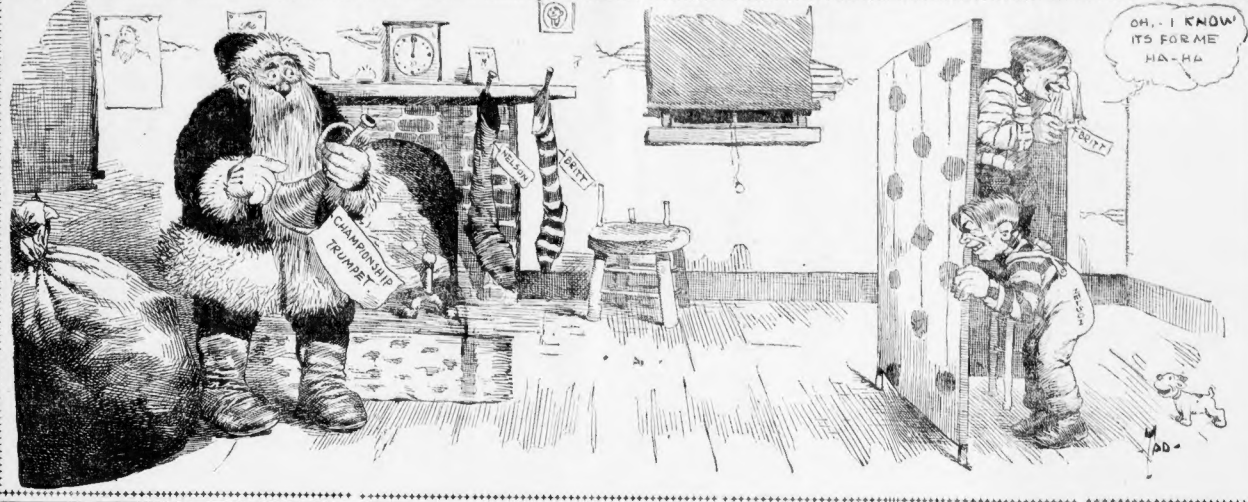
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WHOLE WORLD OF SPORTS COVERED FOR THE BOSTON AMERICAN BY ITS CORPS OF EXPERTS

CARTOONIST TAD SHOWS SANTA CLAUS BUSILY FIGURING ON WHICH WAS THE BETTER BOY



SANTA CLAUS REAL GOOD TO BRITT

BY TAD.
Santa Claus was real good to little Jimmy Britt. He handed him a prize package in the way of a title that was just what he had been longing for. They had been playing the same thing, but Santa only had one with him, so the Chicago boy had to get along without it. At that he came mighty near getting the prize.
Santa had a tough job in deciding who was to have the little package. In giving it to Jimmy he did what was right, and it is up to Jimmy to keep up the good work. Let him give the other boys in his class a chance to play with the toy.

FITZ ASKED TO CALL ON PRESIDENT

By Boston American Leased Wire.
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The President is the guest of honor at a dinner given by the White House, and it is expected that Mr. Fitzgerald will be asked to call on the President.

JIMMY WALSH VINS OVER BRODIGAN IN FIRST ROUND

Special to the Boston American.
BALTIMORE, Dec. 27.—Before the largest boxing crowd that ever attended a holiday meeting at the Apollo A. C., Jimmy Walsh, the recognized New England boxing champion, knocked out Harry Brodigan, the white-haired English champion, in less than three minutes of fighting. Walsh, who is a native of the west coast, was a knockout in the first round. He was a knockout in the first round. He was a knockout in the first round.

LEWIS SCORES EASY VICTORY OVER CANOLE

Special to the Boston American.
PORTLAND, Dec. 27.—Just as soon as White Lewis, of New York, had won over Martin Canale in one round at the Apollo A. C., he was again victorious over Canale at the Apollo A. C. The second round was very close. It was a close fight, but Lewis was the victor.

ASHLEY DRAWS WITH BLINK M'CLUSKEY

Special to the Boston American.
PORTLAND, Dec. 27.—The fight between Ashley and Blink M'Cluskey was a very close one. It was a close fight, but Ashley was the victor.

JIM CORBETT AFTER JEFF

Special to the Boston American.
MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 27.—The Corbett, who is playing an engagement at one of the theaters, says that if Jeff is not seeking for another fight he had no as far as he is willing to take another chance against him. Corbett also believes that Wheeler Faneuil Corbett should be given a chance to fight with him.

'YOUNG PETER' IN POOR BOUT

Special to the Boston American.
BALTIMORE, Dec. 27.—The fight between Young Peter and the Irish Kid was a very poor one. It was a poor fight, but Young Peter was the victor.

FANS THOUGHT KID PANTZ HAD BURKE BEATEN

Special to the Boston American.
BALTIMORE, Dec. 27.—The fight between Kid Pantz and Burke was a very close one. It was a close fight, but Kid Pantz was the victor.

ARMSTRONG PUT TO SLEEP IN FOURTH

Special to the Boston American.
HAVENHILL, Dec. 27.—Win the fight between Armstrong and the Irish Kid was a very close one. It was a close fight, but Armstrong was the victor.

CHAMP FENCER HAS ARRIVED IN THIS COUNTRY

By Boston American Leased Wire.
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The champion fencing master of the world, Louis Martini, of Paris, has arrived in this city, and will engage in bouts with the best fencers in America and Cuba. He has vanquished the international champion at Havana in 1897, at Philadelphia in 1898, and at the Paris Exposition in 1900.

KILPATRICK IN NEW ROLE

By Boston American Leased Wire.
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Charles Kilpatrick, the old New York C. C. member and holder of the world's record for running a mile, is wanted by Columbia University, the college, to be its director of athletics, according to a story given by some of the authorities in the faculty at the college.

'CORBETT' MAY MEET LOWERY

By Boston American Leased Wire.
PROVIDENCE, Dec. 27.—The fight between Corbett and Lowery was a very close one. It was a close fight, but Corbett was the victor.

CRACK LOCAL LADS AFTER GOODMAN

By Boston American Leased Wire.
MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 27.—The fight between Goodman and the local lads was a very close one. It was a close fight, but Goodman was the victor.

TACOMA GETS PENNANT

By Boston American Leased Wire.
TACOMA, Dec. 27.—The Tacoma team has won the pennant in the National League.

Small Talk for the Baseball Fans

While he regrets leaving Cincinnati, Harry Blair, who has been a member of the club for many years, is a popular player on over over a Chicago uniform, he has not yet decided to join the club. He has not yet decided to join the club.

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SULLIVAN TO MEET TIPMAN

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O'ROURKE WILL O'NEIL WON MEET GUNTHER

George O'Rourke, the "McDonough" champion, has been matched to meet Charles O'Neil, of Cambridge, in the main bout of the Cambridge A. A. January 2. The fight is scheduled to last ten rounds, but it is likely that the winner will be decided before that time as both men have ability to administer knockout punches.

BY KNOCKOUT

Special to the Boston American.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—The fight between O'Rourke and O'Neil was a very close one. It was a close fight, but O'Rourke was the victor.

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